

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A pinion nail verification assembly for use in a nail loading assembly coupled with a nail driving assembly of a nail gun, comprising:
an axle coupled with the nail loading assembly, the axle for providing an axis of rotation,
the nail loading assembly being an adjustable angle magazine;
a universal adapter assembly coupled to the adjustable angle magazine for allowing the pivotal coupling of the adjustable angle magazine with the nail driving assembly; and
a pinion coupled with the axle, the pinion for engaging a nail advancing down the nail loading assembly,
wherein the pinion assembly allows the nail to advance to the nail driving assembly when the nail is correctly positioned parallel with the axis of rotation of the axle.
2. (Original) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 1, further comprising a lock assembly coupled with the pinion, the lock assembly for locking the position of the pinion.

Claims 3 through 7 (Canceled)

8. (Original) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 1, wherein the nail gun is selected from the group consisting of a spring-loaded nail gun, a pneumatic nail gun, an electro-magnetic nail gun, a combustion nail gun, and a motor driven nail gun.
9. (Original) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 1, wherein the nail gun further comprises a clutch assembly.

Claims 10 through 40 (Canceled)

41. (Currently Amended) A pinion nail verification assembly for use in a nail loading assembly coupled with a nail driving assembly of a nail gun, comprising:

an axle coupled with the nail loading assembly, the axle for providing an axis of rotation and the nail loading assembly being an adjustable angle magazine; and

a pinion coupled with the axle by a first mounting member and a second mounting member pivotally coupled with the adjustable angle magazine, the pinion for engaging a nail advancing down the nail loading assembly,

wherein the pinion assembly allows the nail to advance to the nail driving assembly when the nail is correctly positioned parallel with the axis of rotation of the axle.

42. (Previously Presented) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 41, further comprising a lock assembly coupled with the pinion, the lock assembly for locking the position of the pinion.

Claims 43 and 44 (Canceled)

45. (Previously Presented) The pinion nail verification assembly of 41, wherein the adjustable angle magazine further comprises an articulating pusher assembly.

46. (Previously Presented) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 41, wherein the adjustable angle magazine further comprises a nail shank pawl assembly.

47. (Previously Presented) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 41, wherein the nail gun is selected from the group consisting of a spring-loaded nail gun, a pneumatic nail gun, an electro-magnetic nail gun, a combustion nail gun, and a motor driven nail gun.

48. (Previously Presented) The pinion nail verification assembly of claim 41, wherein

the nail gun further comprises a clutch assembly.